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Subject: Status of Impact Analysis

- ◆ All comments received from PCT members, agencies, and individuals regarding the July 1, 1997 version of the technical reports have been provided to the impact analysis teams. The teams will attempt to address all comments and incorporate them into their analysis where possible.
- ◆ Three general categories of comments were received: typographical, policy, and technical. Typographical and editorial comments will be addressed in the next version of the reports. Policy questions have been elevated to the appropriate CALFED managers for resolution. Technical questions will be dealt with by the impact analysis teams to the extent possible depending on the level and quality of information available.
- ◆ The Draft Affected Environment and Environmental Impact reports are due on Monday, August 25, 1997.
- ◆ It is anticipated that the reports will be approximately 90% complete with only relatively minor adjustments to be made. Adjustments may be necessary to account for refinements in the 3 alternatives and their 17 variations as well as modeling runs which are now becoming available to the teams. The executive summaries from these reports will be used as the framework for the EIR/S.
- ◆ The draft reports will be provided to PCT members prior to the September 10, 1997 meeting. For this iteration, the Affected Environment and Environmental Impact reports will be physically merged into one package separated by a single colored page. This consolidation will reduce the total number of reports. Additionally, certain reports have been combined with other reports relative to a specific resource (i.e. Power and Utilities) to simplify the process and further reduce the total number of reports.

CALFED Agencies

California
The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

Federal
Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service

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- ◆ Although all reports will be available to PCT members for review and comment, we expect technical review from only the agencies identified at the last PCT meeting as having primary responsibility for review of specific resource areas. The agency/report list is attached.

Thank you for your cooperation and valuable comments.

Attachment